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conjugated to a dicarboxylic acid into a liposome such [at] that the surface agent-modifying lipid comprises at least about 2 mole percent of the lipid component of [the liposome's bilayer] a bilayer of the liposome and then administering the liposome to the animal wherein an anti-inflammatory agent is administered to the animal prior to administration of the liposome composition and wherein the liposome has an average diameter of from at least about 200 nm to about 5000 nm.

16. (Twice Amended) The method of [claim] Claim 15, wherein the bioactive agent is a contrast agent, antibacterial agent, antiviral agent, antifungal agent, anti-parasitic agent, tumoricidal agent, [antimetabolite,] carbohydrate, polypeptide, peptide, [protein,] toxin, enzyme, hormone, neurotransmitter, glycoprotein, lipoprotein, [immunoglobulin,] immunomodulator, vasodilator, dye, radiolabel, [radio-opaque compound,] fluorescent compound, receptor binding molecule, anti-inflammatory agent, mydriatic compound, local anesthetic, narcotic, vitamin, [nucleic acid, polynucleofide] polynucleotide, nucleoside, or nucleotide[, MRI, radio or a water soluble iodinated contrast agent].